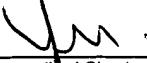
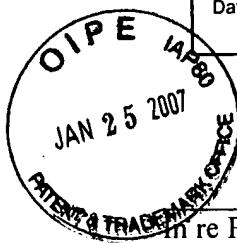


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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated September 25, 2006 (Paper No. 20060913), for which a response was due on December 25, 2006. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a one month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to January 25, 2007. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.